## **Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method of replicating data using a manifest file, comprising:

creating a manifest file at a first member, the manifest file including an identifier of each of a plurality of resources of a resource group that exists at the first member, wherein the manifest file mandates that each of the plurality of resources of the resource group complete a transmission between the first member and a second member and exist on a the second member before granting access to any of the plurality of resources of the resource group;

generating a change order on the first member, wherein the change order includes an indicator that the change order is associated with a the manifest file;

transmitting the change order to the second member;

on the second member, identifying, from the indicator, that the change order is associated with the manifest file;

causing the manifest file to be reproduced at the second member;

in response to the manifest file being reproduced at the second member, beginning a replication operation, wherein the replication operation includes a transfer duration during which each of the plurality of resources of the resource group are being transmitted between the first member and the second member received on the second member; and

during the transfer duration:

identifying whether each resource identified in the manifest file <u>has completed</u> <u>transmission and</u> exists at the second member by comparing each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file to a database that identifies resources of the second member;

when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file <u>has not</u> completed transmission and does not exist at the second member, preventing access to all resources of the group identified in the manifest file regardless of whether any resources of the group <u>have completed transmission and exist</u> exists on the second member; and

only when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file <u>has</u> <u>completed transmission and</u> does exist at the second member, updating the system registry to include all the resources of the resource group.

## 2. (Cancelled)

- 3. (Previously presented) The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the identifier of each resource of the resource group includes a version identifier associated with the resource.
- 4. (Currently amended) The computer-implemented method of claim 3, wherein identifying whether each resource of the resource group <u>has completed transmission and</u> exists at the second member includes comparing the version identifier of the resource with another version identifier associated with another copy of the resource stored at the second member.

## 5.-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium having computer-executable instructions that facilitates a replication of data using a manifest file, comprising:

receiving a change order on a second member, wherein the change order includes an indicator that the change order is associated with a manifest file, wherein the manifest file includes an identifier of each of a plurality of resources of a resource group that exists at a first member, wherein the manifest file mandates that each of the plurality of resources of the resource group complete a transmission between the first member and a second member and exist on a the second member before granting access to any of the plurality of resources of the resource group;

identifying, from the indicator, that the change order is associated with the manifest file; causing the manifest file to be reproduced at the second member;

in response to the manifest file being reproduced at the second member, beginning a replication operation, wherein the replication operation includes a transfer duration during which each of the plurality of resources of the resource group are being transmitted between the first member and the second member received on the second member; and

during the transfer duration:

identifying whether each resource identified in the manifest file <u>has completed</u> <u>transmission and</u> exists at the second member by comparing each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file to a database that identifies resources of the second member;

when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file <u>has not</u> <u>completed transmission and</u> does not exist at the second member, preventing access to all resources of the group identified in the manifest file regardless of whether any resources of the group <u>have completed transmission and exist</u> exists on the second member; and

when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file <u>has</u> <u>completed transmission and</u> does exist at the second member, providing access to all the resources of the resource group.

- 19. (Previously presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 18, wherein the manifest file further comprises a globally-unique identifier for each resource of the resource group.
- 20. (Previously presented) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 18, wherein the manifest file further comprises a version identifier for each resource of the resource group.
- 21. (Currently amended) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 18, wherein the manifest file includes an expiration identifier that identifies and an amount of time for replicating each resource of the resource group.

## 22.-24. (Cancelled)

25. (Currently amended) A computer system that facilitates the replication of data using a manifest file, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory having computer-executable instructions configured to for:

receiving receive a change order on a second member, wherein the change order includes an indicator that the change order is associated with a manifest file, wherein the manifest file includes an identifier of each of a plurality of resources of a resource group that exists at a first member, wherein the manifest file mandates that each of the plurality of resources of the resource group complete a transmission between the first member and a second member and exist on a the second member before granting access to any of the plurality of resources of the resource group;

identifying identify, from the indicator, that the change order is associated with the manifest file;

eausing cause the manifest file to be reproduced at the second member;

in response to the manifest file being reproduced at the second member, beginning begin a replication operation, wherein the replication operation includes a transfer duration during which each of the plurality of resources of the resource group are being transmitted between the first member and the second member received on the second member; and

during the transfer duration:

identifying identify whether each resource identified in the manifest file has completed transmission and exists at the second member by comparing each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file to a database that identifies resources of the second member;

when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file <a href="has not completed transmission and">has not completed transmission and</a> does not exist at the second member, <a href="preventing prevent">prevent</a> access to all resources of the group identified in the manifest file regardless of whether any resources of the group <a href="have completed transmission">have completed transmission</a> and <a href="exists">exists</a> on the second member; and

when each resource of the resource group identified in the manifest file has completed transmission and does exist at the second member, provide providing access to all the resources of the resource group.

- 26. (Cancelled)
- 27. (Previously presented) The system of claim 25, wherein the second member is configured to replicate the manifest file by fetching the manifest file.
- 28. (Previously presented) The system of claim 25, wherein the second member is further configured to mark the change order as handled and store the change order in an outbound log.

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- 29. (Previously presented) The system of claim 25, wherein the second member is further configured to disseminate the change order to a third member.
- 30. (Previously presented) The system of claim 25, wherein the manifest file includes an execution order.
- 31. (Previously presented) The system of claim 25, wherein the manifest file includes a security token.
- 32. (New) The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application associated with the resource group to launch only if resource version levels of the resource group on the second member match resource version levels of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.
- 33. (New) The computer-implemented method of claim 1, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application associated with the resource group to launch if version levels of the resource group on the second member are greater than resource version level of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.
- 34. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 18, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application associated with the resource group to launch only if resource version levels of the resource group on the second member match resource version levels of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.
- 35. (New) The computer-readable storage medium of claim 18, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application

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associated with the resource group to launch if version levels of the resource group on the second member are greater than resource version level of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.

- 36. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application associated with the resource group to launch only if resource version levels of the resource group on the second member match resource version levels of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.
- 37. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the manifest file further includes an option identifier, wherein the option identifier causes an application associated with the resource group to launch if version levels of the resource group on the second member are greater than resource version level of the resource group indicated in the manifest file.

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